Shore and Expeditionary C4I Conference to Determine "Aligned C4I Evolution" Way Ahead

SAN DIEGO – The Navy's Program Executive Office for C4I is planning a conference Aug. 9-11 that focuses on shore and expeditionary capabilities. Taking place in Newport News, Va., at the Virginia Advanced Shipbuilding and Carrier Integration Center, this conference is expected to attract a wide variety of Navy and expeditionary stakeholders.

The conference's goal is to align evolving C4I capabilities by finding common solutions among diverse communities – fleet operators, capability providers and resource sponsors – for networks and command and control systems that affect ship-to-shore, shore-to-ship and expeditionary communications.

"This conference will be an opportunity better understand the fleet's priorities, examine requirements and align our efforts to a common vision for the next generation shore and expeditionary architectures," said Ruth Youngs Lew, program manager for the Shore and Expeditionary Integration Program Office. "Ultimately, the goal is to improve readiness for the fleet."

With new technologies and key enablers being introduced by the Navy and Department of Defense, this conference will focus on leveraging capabilities into each shore and expeditionary program to develop a roadmap that aligns program objectives with best-of-breed solutions.

The conference is sponsored by the Shore and Expeditionary Integration Program Office. The program office provides C4I support for the Naval Expeditionary Combat Enterprise (NECE) and 35 major shore sites, including all Maritime Operations Centers, Regional Network Operations Centers and Teleport gateways. Representatives from Fleet Cyber Command, the numbered Fleets, NECE, Defense Information Systems Agency, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, Commander U.S. Pacific Fleet, the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations and other stakeholder organizations are expected to participate in this three-day event.

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In addition to presentations, there will be three tracks that focus on "Modernized Capabilities," "Maritime Operations Center and Expeditionary Integration" and "Global Topics such as Cloud Computing and Network Security."

Registration for the PMW 790 Shore and Expeditionary Integration Conference can be found at: https://einvitations.afit.edu/pmw790598/anim.cfm. Please note participation is limited to personnel with security clearances.

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